

THE DULY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MAY 19, 2021, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: CLAIRE B. CORCORAN, PRESIDENT, DAVID L. PAINTER, VICE PRESIDENT AND, BONNIE J. BATCHLER, MEMBER. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER SHORTLY AFTER 10:00 A.M. BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG.

LET THE RECORD SHOW THAT THE MAY 19, 2021 REGULAR SESSION WAS VIDEO RECORDED AND IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M. LOCAL TIME. IN ADDITION, THE REGULAR SESSION IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC VIEWING THROUGH THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT WEBSITE AT <https://www.youtube.com/user/clermontcounty/playlists>

IN RE: MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION...APPROVED

Moved by Commissioner Batchler, seconded by Commissioner Painter,

To approve the minutes of Regular Session of 05/12/2021.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

LET THE RECORD SHOW: COMMISSIONER CORCORAN STATED THAT A CONSENT AGENDA HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND REQUESTED WHETHER ANY BOARD MEMBER WANTED ANY ITEMS REMOVED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION AND UPON HEARING NONE:

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Batchler, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendations:

1. IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES...PURCHASE OF SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH CHILD FOCUS, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF HOME VISITOR SERVICES FOR SAME...21-0513-001...EXECUTED

Recommendation of Timothy Dick, Director, Department of Job and Family Services, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to execute a Purchase of Service Agreement by and between the County of Clermont, Ohio, and Child Focus, Inc., 4629 Aicholtz Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45244 for the provision of home visitor services to children and their families referred by the Department of Job and Family Services, Children's Protective Services Division, to include, but not necessarily be limited to, child care practices, child development, screening for developmental delays, connecting families with other area service agencies and offering parents support in their roles as the child's first and most important teachers, payable monthly at a set amount of \$9,529.65, less Medicaid Federal Financial Participation (FFP) reimbursement received, up to the contracted amount, plus mileage reimbursement at the rate of \$0.45 per mile for any home visits conducted in excess of 30 miles one way for the additional miles above and beyond the 30 miles, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$114,355.80, effective for the period of 07/01/2021 through 06/30/2022, pursuant to and in compliance with the

terms and conditions specified therein, *and contingent upon the release and receipt of a current Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation Certificate, as well as, the required Purchase Order in concert with Requisition Number 00002693-00 dated 05/10/2021 relative thereto.*

- 2. IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES...OHIO  
DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES (ODJFS) TITLE IV-E  
CHILD PLACEMENT AGREEMENT AND ADDENDUM THERETO,  
CONSISTING OF AMENDMENT NUMBERS 1 THROUGH 3, WITH THE  
VILLAGE NETWORK FOR THE PROVISION OF RESIDENTIAL  
TREATMENT SERVICES AND THERAPEUTIC STABILIZATION  
SERVICES FOR SAME...21-0513-002...APPROVED**

Recommendation of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to authorize Timothy Dick, Director, Department of Job and Family Services, *to execute an Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) Title IV-E Child Placement Agreement and Addendum Thereto*, Consisting of Amendment Numbers 1 through 3, by and between the County of Clermont, Ohio, and *The Village Network*, 2000 Noble Drive, Wooster, Ohio 44691, *for the provision of residential treatment services and therapeutic stabilization services for children referred by the Department of Job and Family Services and/or Clermont County Juvenile Court*, at the rates outlined therein, effective for the period of 05/05/2021 through 05/04/2022, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions specified therein, *and contingent upon the release and receipt of a current Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation Certificate, as well as, the required purchase order in concert with Requisition Number 00002694-00 dated 5/10/2021 relative thereto.*

- 3. IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES...OHIO  
DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES (ODJFS) TITLE IV-E  
CHILD PLACEMENT AGREEMENT AND ADDENDA THERETO,  
CONSISTING OF AMENDMENT NUMBERS 1 THROUGH 3, WITH  
FOUNDATIONS FOR LIVING FOR THE PROVISION OF RESIDENTIAL  
TREATMENT SERVICES FOR SAME...21-0511-001...APPROVED**

Recommendation of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to authorize Timothy Dick, Director, Department of Job and Family Services, *to execute an Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) Title IV-E Child Placement Agreement and Addenda thereto*, consisting of Amendment Numbers 1 through 3, by and between the County of Clermont, Ohio, and *Foundations for Living*, 1451 Lucas Road, Mansfield, Ohio 44903, *for the provision of residential treatment services for children referred by the Department of Job and Family Services and/or Clermont County Juvenile Court*, at the rate of \$275.63 per day, effective 07/01/2021 through 06/30/2022, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions specified therein, *and contingent upon the release and receipt of the required purchase order in concert with Requisition Number 00002444-00 dated 4/19/2021 relative thereto.*

- 4. IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES...OHIO  
DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES (ODJFS) TITLE IV-E  
CHILD PLACEMENT AGREEMENT AND ADDENDA THERETO,  
CONSISTING OF AMENDMENT NUMBERS 1 THROUGH 4, WITH  
LIGHTHOUSE YOUTH SERVICES, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF  
RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT SERVICES AND YOUTH CRISIS CENTER  
SERVICES FOR SAME...21-0511-003...APPROVED**

Recommendation of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to authorize Timothy Dick, Director, Department of Job and Family Services, *to execute an Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) Title IV-E Child Placement Agreement and Addendum thereto*, Consisting of Amendment Numbers 1 through 4, by and between the County of Clermont, Ohio, and *Lighthouse Youth Services, Inc.*, 401 East McMillan Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45206 *for the provision of residential treatment services and youth crisis center services for children referred by the Department of Job and Family Services and/or Clermont County Juvenile Court*, at the rates as

identified therein, effective 07/01/2021 through 06/30/2022, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions specified therein, **and contingent upon the release and receipt of a current Certificate of Ohio Workers' Compensation, as well as, the required purchase order in concert with Requisition Number 00002383-00 dated 04/14/2021 relative thereto.**

**5. IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES...OHIO  
DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES (ODJFS) TITLE IV-E  
CHILD PLACEMENT AGREEMENT AND ADDENDA THERETO,  
CONSISTING OF AMENDMENT NUMBERS 1 THROUGH 3, WITH  
K.E.L.L.Y. YOUTH SERVICES, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF  
INDEPENDENT LIVING SERVICES FOR SAME...21-0510-  
004...APPROVED**

Recommendation of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to authorize Timothy Dick, Director, Department of Job and Family Services, **to execute an Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) Title IV-E Child Placement Agreement and Addenda thereto,** consisting of Amendment Numbers 1 through 3, by and between the County of Clermont, Ohio, and **K.E.L.L.Y. Youth Services, Inc.,** 800 Compton Road, Unit 11, Cincinnati, Ohio 45231, **for the provision of Independent Living services for older youth referred by the Department of Job and Family Services and/or Clermont County Juvenile Court, as well as, Placement with Baby Services,** at the rates as defined therein, effective 07/01/2021 through 6/30/2022, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions specified therein, **and contingent upon the release and receipt of a current Certificate of Ohio Workers' Compensation, as well as, the required purchase order in concert with Requisition Number 00002381-00 dated 04/14/2021 relative thereto.**

**6. IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES...OHIO  
DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES (ODJFS) TITLE IV-E  
CHILD PLACEMENT AGREEMENT AND ADDENDA THERETO,  
CONSISTING OF AMENDMENT NUMBERS 1 THROUGH 3, WITH THE  
BUCKEYE RANCH FOR THE PROVISION OF RESIDENTIAL  
TREATMENT SERVICES FOR SAME...21-0503-003...APPROVED**

Recommendation of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to authorize Timothy Dick, Director, Department of Job and Family Services, to execute an **Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) Title IV-E Child Placement Agreement** and Addenda thereto, consisting of Amendment Numbers 1 through 3, by and between the County of Clermont, Ohio, and **The Buckeye Ranch,** 5665 Hoover Road, Grove City, Ohio 43123 **for the provision of residential treatment services** for children referred by the Clermont County Department of Job and Family Services and/or Clermont County Juvenile Court, at the rate of \$408.00 per day, effective 07/01/2021 through 06/30/2022, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions specified therein, **and contingent upon the release and receipt of a current Certificate of Ohio Workers' Compensation and the required Purchase Order in concert with Requisition Number 00002382-00 dated 04/14/2021 relative thereto.**

**7. IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES...CONTRACT FOR  
SERVICES WITH CLERMONT SENIOR SERVICES, INC. FOR THE  
PROVISION OF ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES FOR SAME...21-0506-  
003...EXECUTED**

Recommendation of Timothy Dick, Director, Department of Job and Family Services, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to execute a **Contract for Services** by and between the County of Clermont, Ohio, and **Clermont Senior Services, Inc.,** 2085 James E. Sauls Sr. Drive, Batavia, Ohio 45103 for the provision **Adult Protective Services** to senior citizens in Clermont County, on behalf of the Department of Job and Family Services, for the period of 07/01/2021 through 06/30/2022, at an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00, payable at the rate of \$4,166.74 for the first month and at an the rate of \$4,166.66 for the following eleven months, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions specified therein, , **and contingent**

upon the release and receipt of a current Certificate of Ohio Workers' Compensation, as well as, the required purchase order in concert with Requisition Number 00002320-00 dated 4/07/2021 relative thereto.

**8. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY JUVENILE COURT...AMENDMENT #4 TO THE CONTRACT FOR RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT SERVICES BETWEEN THE COUNTIES OF WARREN COUNTY, OHIO, AND CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, FOR MALE JUVENILE OFFENDERS...21-0506-001...EXECUTED**

Recommendation of Judge James A. Shriver, Clermont County Juvenile Court, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to execute Amendment #4 to the Contract for Residential Treatment Services by and between the Boards of County Commissioners of the Ohio Counties of Warren and Clermont and the Juvenile Divisions of the Court of Common Pleas of Warren and Clermont, through their respective judges, for male juvenile offenders at the Mary Haven Youth Center, a division of Warren County Probate/Juvenile Court, previously ratified by the Board of County Commissioners on 07/12/2017, and subsequently amended on 06/25/2018, 05/29/2019, and 07/22/2020 for participation in the Response Ability Pathways (RAP) Program, at a rate of \$175.00 per day/per bed, if space is available, effective for the period of 07/01/2021 through 06/30/2022, with all other terms and conditions of the original contract and amendments thereto to remain in full force and effect.

**9. IN RE: TRAINING AND TRAVEL REQUESTS...REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES RELATIVE TO SAME...APPROVED**

Recommendation of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to approve the following requests for reimbursement of expenses for training and travel pursuant to the policies and procedures of the Board of County Commissioners and in compliance with the Annual Appropriations for Calendar Year 2021 and any and all amendments subsequent thereto:

**COUNTY RECORDER**

**Deborah Clepper** – (4) days – Newark, Ohio – Ohio Recorders' Association – 2021 Continuing Education Summer Conference – total expenses for lodging (\$288.00), meals (\$192.50) and mileage (\$168.00), not to exceed \$648.50.

**CLERMONT COUNTY WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT**

**Ainsley Knapke**– (3) days – Cincinnati, Ohio – One Water – Technical Conference and Expo–total expenses for registration (\$520.00), mileage (\$109.20) and parking (\$60.00), not to exceed \$689.20.

**Chris Rowland**– (3) days – Cincinnati, Ohio – One Water – Technical Conference and Expo–total expenses for registration (\$395.00), mileage (\$84.00) and parking (\$60.00), not to exceed \$539.00.

**10. IN RE: PERSONNEL ACTIONS...APPROVED**

\* THE OFFICIAL RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO, RELATIVE TO PERSONNEL ACTIONS IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION UPON REQUEST MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M. LOCAL TIME.

**11. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION TO APPROVE FINANCIAL/BUDGETARY ACTIONS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021...APPROVED**

Recommendation of Mary K. Rains, Director, Office of Management and Budget, with the

concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to resolve to approve and authorize financial/budgetary actions pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.40 as they relate to changes in the Annual Appropriation (**Resolution Number 191-20**) for Calendar Year 2021, including legal level of control, and/or interfund transactions pursuant to Sections 5705.13 through 5705.14 of the Ohio Revised Code as outlined in the following table(s) and to authorize Linda L. Fraley, County Auditor, to properly record same:

**BUDGET TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021**

FUND	FROM: ORGANIZATION - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	TO: ORGANIZATION - OBJECT - ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
GENERAL FUND	Communications Center FRINGE BENEFITS 1000 - 04 - 01 - 111000 - 520000 -	Communications Center OVERTIME 1000 - 04 - 01 - 111000 - 512100 -	\$ 30,000.00

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes;    Commissioner Batchler, Yes;    Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

**NON-CONSENT AGENDA**

**12. IN RE:    BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION NUMBER 067-21/PAYMENT OF BILLS...APPROVED**

Moved by Commissioner Batchler, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation that the Board of County Commissioners adopt **Resolution Number 067-21** resolving to approve payment to vendors **in the total amount of \$2,757,490.29** as set forth in the BCC Approval Invoice Report for Checks dated May 19, 2021, BCC Directed Pre-Paid Invoices Report(s) and/or the Procurement Card Transaction Report as presented by the County Auditor on 05/17/2021, and further authorizing the County Auditor to issue warrants for same pursuant to Section 319.16 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Batchler, Yes;    Commissioner Painter, Yes;    Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

**13. IN RE:    DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES...EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICE COORDINATION GRANT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CLERMONT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES, ACTING IN ITS ROLE AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT FOR CLERMONT COUNTY FAMILY AND CHILDREN FIRST, AND THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES FOR THE PROVISION OF FUNDING FOR EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICE COORDINATION SERVICES FOR STATE FISCAL YEAR 2022 FOR SAME...21-0511-002...APPROVED**

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Batchler, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to authorize Timothy Dick, Director,

Department of Job and Family Services, to execute an **Early Intervention Service Coordination Grant Agreement** by and between the Clermont County Department of Job and Family Services, acting in its role as Administrative Agent for the Clermont County Family and Children First, and the **Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities**, Office of Grants Management, 30 East Broad Street, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215 **for the provision of funding for Early Intervention Service Coordination services for Clermont County families with children from birth through age two with developmental delays**, as well as, to strengthen positive family environments conducive to the healthy growth and development of young children with developmental delays and to help parents deal with the stresses of participating in work, education, and/or training activities, in an amount not to exceed \$518,457.00 for State Fiscal Year 2022, with no local cash match required therefore, effective for the period of 07/01/2021 through 06/30/2022, pursuant to the terms and conditions specified therein.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

**14. IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER...CONTRACT FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT MINOR PROJECTS WITH NATIONAL GUNITE FOR THE GLEN ESTE WITHAMSVILLE ROAD CULVERT CC55-14 REHABILITATION IN UNION TOWNSHIP...21-0503-008...EXECUTED**

Moved by Commissioner Batchler, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Jeremy P. Evans, County Engineer, to execute a **Contract for Public Improvement Minor Projects** by and between the Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio, and **National Gunite**, 111 Roosevelt Blvd., Johnstown, PA 15906 **for the Glen Este Withamsville Road Culvert CC55-14 Rehabilitation** in Union Township, as more fully described in the Scope of Services identified as Exhibit A, attached thereto and made a part thereof, all of which is in conjunction with the Ohio Department of Transportation 316-21 Purchasing Contract with National Gunite, in an amount not to exceed \$58,825.00, with said services to be completed within Calendar Year 2021, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions set forth therein **and contingent upon the release of the required Purchase Order in concert with Requisition Number 00002491-00 dated 04/22/2021 relative thereto.**

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

**15. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT... GRANT OF WATER EASEMENT WITH RIGHTS OF RE-ENTRY FOR REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT HERETOFORE GRANTED AND CONVEYED TO THE COUNTY OF CLERMONT, OHIO, FOR PROJECT NUMBER 6401-60182 RELATIVE TO THE SR 125 WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT LOCATED WITHIN BATAVIA AND PIERCE TOWNSHIPS...19-1122-010...APPROVED**

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Batchler, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of John R. Schramm, Construction Coordinator, with the concurrence of Chris Rowland, P.E., Assistant Sanitary Engineer, Clermont County Water Resources Department, to accept the following **Grant of Water Easement with Rights of Re-Entry for Repair and Replacement** heretofore granted and conveyed to the County of Clermont, Ohio, for utility purposes of constructing, operating, maintaining, repairing, replacing, removing or reinstalling water utility lines, pumping equipment, and all incidental fixtures required for the transportation

of water in, on, under and across the property of the Grantors for **Project Number 6401-60182 relative to the SR 125 Water Main Replacement Project** located within Batavia and Pierce Townships, and further to authorize the County Auditor to remit payment to the Grantors in the amount as outlined below and as indicated on the Settlement Sheet attached thereto as compensation for the Permanent Easement and Right-of-Way granted thereby:

Grantor	Parcel Number	Compensation
Robert W. & Carolyn R. Groh, Trustees 157 W. Main Street Amelia, Ohio 45102	05-01-02.-090.	Perm        \$250.00

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes;    Commissioner Batchler, Yes;    Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

**16. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT...  
RESOLUTION NUMBER 068-21/RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ONE  
PROPERTY LOCATED OFF MT. HOLLY LANE IN BATAVIA  
TOWNSHIP AND WITHIN THE CLERMONT COUNTY WATER  
RESOURCES DEPARTMENT’S WATER SERVICE JURISDICTION TO  
CONNECT ONE (1) RESIDENTIAL WATER SERVICE TO THE TATE-  
MONROE WATER ASSOCIATION, INC. WATER SERVICE AREA FOR  
SAID PROPERTY RELATIVE THERETO...21-0506-002...ADOPTED**

Moved by Commissioner Batchler, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Lyle G. Bloom, P.E., Director of Utilities, Clermont County Water Resources Department, with the concurrence of Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, to adopt **Resolution Number 068-21** resolving to authorize one property located off Mt. Holly Lane in Batavia Township and within the Clermont County Water Resources Department’s water service jurisdiction, as outlined in Exhibit A, attached thereto and made a part thereof, and identified as Parcel Number 03-20-20E-015. to connect one (1) residential water service to the Tate-Monroe Water Association, Inc. water service area, with the County maintaining all authority to control, manage or maintain said Parcel within the Clermont County Water Resources Department water service jurisdiction area for purposes of providing water service to future development beyond the connection of one (1) residential water service.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Batchler, Yes;    Commissioner Painter, Yes;    Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

**17. IN RE: CLERMONT COUNTY WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT...  
RESOLUTION NUMBER 069-21/RESOLUTION DECLARING THE  
NECESSITY TO APPROPRIATE CERTAIN LAND FOR PUBLIC  
PURPOSES IN CONCERT WITH PROJECT NUMBERS 6402-60116 AND  
6402-60117 RELATIVE TO THE NEWTONSVILLE COLLECTION  
SYSTEM ASSESSMENT PROJECT AND THE NEWTONSVILLE  
WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT, RESPECTIVELY,  
LOCATED WITHIN WAYNE TOWNSHIP...16-0314-003...ADOPTED**

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Batchler, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Lyle G. Bloom, P.E., Director of Utilities, Clermont County Water Resources Department, with the concurrence of Joseph T. Mooney, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, to adopt **Resolution Number 069-21** resolving to proceed to file a Petition for Appropriation of Real

Property for a portion of Parcel Number 50-11-03.-027. consisting of the purchase of a permanent easement over and through such real property located in Wayne Township and owned by Jack Grigsby, whose mailing address is 324 Main Street, P.O. Box 116, Newtonsville, Ohio 45158, and as identified in Exhibit 2, attached thereto and made a part thereof, in concert with Project Numbers 6402-60116 and 6402-60117 relative to the Newtonsville Collection System Assessment Project and the Newtonsville Wastewater Treatment Plant Project located within Wayne Township; resolving to authorize a Declaration of Intent to Take Possession as designated in Exhibit 4, attached thereto and made a part thereof, to be filed, and to authorize the amount of \$1,385.58 to be deposited with the Clermont County Common Pleas Clerk of Courts, which represents the County's appraisal of the value of the real property to be appropriated and damages thereto, if any; and further, to authorize the County Auditor to issue the referenced payment subsequent thereto.

**DISCUSSION:** Commissioner Painter asked if this is the last of the easements needed for this project and Lyle Bloom stated that is correct and the other one is a property purchase which is in the appropriation process as well. Commissioner Painter asked what the schedule is for actually sticking the shovel in the ground and Mr. Bloom explained that it will go out for bid in September 2021, with construction beginning in mid-November and project completion approximately in February, 2023. Commissioner Painter stated that this particular project has been about perseverance and thanked Mr. Bloom and his staff for their hard work.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

**18. IN RE: CLERMONT TRANSPORTATION CONNECTION...RESOLUTION NUMBER 070-21/RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE OHIO TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM FOR STATE FISCAL YEAR 2022...21-0503-004...ADOPTED**

Moved by Commissioner Batchler, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to adopt **Resolution Number 070-21** resolving to authorize Phil Pumphrey, Director, Clermont Transportation Connection, or his designee, to file an Application, including furnishing such additional information as required, in connection with the Application, on behalf of the Clermont County Board of Commissioners with the Ohio Department of Transportation, 1980 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43223, for the Ohio Transit Partnership Program for State Fiscal Year 2022 in the amount of \$22,000.00, and further to authorize Claire B. Corcoran, President of the Board of County Commissioners, to execute the Standard State Assurances relative thereto, pursuant to and in compliance with the terms and conditions set forth therein.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

**19. IN RE: FACILITIES MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT...ACCEPTANCE OF THE CONTRACT WITH GARLAND/DBS INC., FOR THE EMA/911 COMMUNICATIONS CENTER ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT 25-OH-170946, LOCATED IN THE VILLAGE OF BATAVIA, AS COMPLETE, AND APPROVAL OF THE APPLICATION AND CERTIFICATE FOR PAYMENT NUMBER 3, FINAL, FOR THE RELEASE OF RETAINAGE RELATIVE THERETO...19-0606-001...RATIFIED**

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Batchler, that the Board of County



Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Wade Grabowski, Director, Clermont County Facilities Management Department, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to accept the Contract by and between the County of Clermont, Ohio, and Garland/DBS, Inc., 3800 East 91st Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44105, for the EMA/911 Communications Center Roof Replacement Project 25-OH-170946, located in the Village of Batavia, as Complete as of April 16, 2020 and to approve the Application and Certificate for Payment Number 3, Final, which represents the release of retainage in the principal amount of \$6,931.32, paid through the Auditor.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

**20. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...BOND FOR THE CLERMONT COUNTY CHIEF DOG WARDEN AND DEPUTY DOG WARDENS.. 21-0406-003...APPROVED**

Moved by Commissioner Batchler, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation to approve and sign Bond Number 014222173 in the amount of \$2,000.00 for the Clermont County Chief Dog Warden and \$2,000.00 for the Clermont County Deputy Dog Wardens, effective 01/01/2021, and, subsequent thereto, to authorize payment for the premium therefore in the amount of \$100.00 to Charles J. Miller Insurance, 191 Main Street Batavia, Ohio 45103 with the referenced bond to be filed in the Office of the County Auditor, pursuant to and in compliance with Section 955.12 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**DISCUSSION:** Commissioner Painter asked if the bond is for Caleb and Greg Bickford stated it is for Caleb, Aaron and Erin and the bonds have been in effect since January 01, 2021.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

**21. IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...EXECUTION OF A WAIVER, RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS, AND INDEMNITY BETWEEN THE BOARD OF CLERMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND BARRETT PAVING MATERIALS, INC. FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION OF BEING PERMITTED TO ENTER AND STORE EQUIPMENT FOR THE US 32 AND BAUER ROAD INTERSECTION PROJECT...21-0514-003...EXECUTED**

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Batchler, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation to authorize Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, or in his absence, Greg Bickford, Assistant County Administrator, to execute, for and on behalf of the Board of Clermont County Commissioners, 101 E. Main Street, Batavia, Ohio, 45103, a Waiver, Release of All Claims, and Indemnity, as attached hereto, including any and all special conditions contained therein, with Barrett Paving Materials, Inc., 3751 Commerce Drive, Franklin, Ohio, 45005, for and in consideration of being permitted to enter and store equipment for the US 32 and Bauer Road Intersection project, on the real property located at 2340 Clermont Center Drive, Batavia, Ohio, 45103, being owned by the Board of Clermont County Commissioners, for the period not to exceed May 19, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

**DISCUSSION:** Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator stated that ODOT released a schedule and beginning on Monday, May 24, there will be nightly lane closures on State Route 32 and Bauer Road from 7:00 pm to 7:00 am which will remain in effect through May 28 with project completion in late fall. Information has already been shared on Social Media.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes;   Commissioner Batchler, Yes;   Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

**22. IN RE:   BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION TO APPROVE  
CHANGES TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION FOR  
CALENDAR YEAR 2021...APPROVED**

Moved by Commissioner Batchler, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation of Mary K. Rains, Director, Office of Management and Budget, with the concurrence of Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to resolve to approve and authorize changes in the Annual Appropriation Resolution Number 191-20 for Calendar Year 2021 pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.40 as outlined in the following table and to authorize Linda L. Fraley, County Auditor, to properly record same:

**SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021**

<b><u>FUND</u></b>	<b><u>ORGANIZATION - OBJECT - ACCOUNT</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT</u></b>
<b>LOCAL CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND</b>	<b>COVID LOC OTHER EXPENSES 2008 - 01 - 02 - 025000 - 530000 -</b>	<b>\$ 286,717.78</b>

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Batchler, Yes;   Commissioner Painter, Yes;   Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** Commissioner Painter asked Ms. Rains what is going on with American Rescue Plan funding. Ms. Rains stated Clermont County is receiving roughly \$40 million with the first half coming soon and the second half arriving twelve months after receiving the first. Commissioner Painter asked if there is any guidance from the Treasury Department and Ms. Rains shared that there is 151 pages of guidelines which will require a lot of reporting requirements to the federal government. Mr. Eigel added that the Treasury is supposed to come out with additional guidance at the end of this week and he hopes that will clarify a few things as far as where the money can be allocated. Mr. Painter stated that as of yesterday’s seminar, they didn’t seem to have a final decision on allocations to Townships. Ms. Rains shared that it appears the Townships will receive something, but final numbers are unknown at this time. Commissioner Painter asked how Clermont County looks as far as actuals and Mr. Rains shared that there is approximately \$175,000.00 cash left in the Coronavirus Relief Fund with about \$9 Million being spent so far.

Commissioner Painter asked how the County budget as a whole is doing. Ms. Rains explained she is in the process of looking at that with tax budgets due on Friday from the departments. Ms. Rains reported that sales tax through March is up almost 7% from year-to-date and 11% from last March with April of last year the beginning of the decline. Preliminaries from the state on the non-autos show Clermont County up 38% from its 4% decline from last year. Commissioner Painter asked if intergovernmental has started to change. Ms. Rains stated she is starting to see changes, but will have a better picture in the next couple of weeks. The Commissioners thanked Mary for everything she does.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** COMMISSIONER CORCORAN STATED THAT THE BOARD HAD REACHED THE COUNTY STAFF/ELECTED OFFICIAL DISCUSSION SECTION OF THE AGENDA.

Commissioner Corcoran asked if there was any discussion regarding the health orders in place and shared that the emergency action was taken by the Board on March 18, 2020 due to the pandemic and it became effective March 23, 2020. Those actions suspended public participation due to the Ohio Department of Health and the Governor's orders with those orders due to be lifted on June 02, 2021 in accordance with the CDC guidelines. She further stated that a motion may be needed in order to address some of these issues. Commissioner Painter asked what the motion would look like.

**IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...ADDITION OF (1) ONE AGENDA ITEM TO THE REGULAR SESSION OF 05/19/2021...21-0104-004...APPROVED**

Moved by Commissioner Batchler, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Commissioner Corcoran, President of the Board, asked the Board to consider adding (1) one additional item to the agenda of the Regular Session of 05/19/2021 to include a motion to instruct Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, to prepare a Resolution to present at the May 26, 2021 session to renew the public participation policy that was previously suspended due to the Governor's health orders. Commissioner Corcoran asked for a motion to approve the additions to the agenda for today's Regular Session.

**DISCUSSION:** Commissioner Painter asked what the effective date would be and Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, explained that if they voted on the Resolution on May 26, 2021 it would go into effect at the next regularly scheduled session which is June 02, 2021.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER PAINTER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BATCHLER TO PREPARE A RESOLUTION FOR THE MAY 26, 2021 SESSION TO RENEW THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION POLICY THAT WAS PREVIOUSLY SUSPENDED ON MARCH 23, 2020 DUE TO THE GOVERNOR'S HEALTH ORDERS.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** COMMISSIONER CORCORAN OPENED THE MEETING FOR BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS.

Commissioner Batchler asked to discuss when the masks can be removed and Mr. Eigel explained that the Governor announced that all public health orders will be rescinded on June 02, 2021 with a few orders remaining in place for prison facilities, nursing homes, assisted living facilities or adult service centers for elderly adults. Mr. Eigel read excerpts from the new order effective March 17, 2021 stating that vaccinated individuals no longer need to wear a mask and individuals who are not fully vaccinated should continue to wear a mask. Mr. Eigel further read that vaccinated individuals will need to continue to wear masks on planes, trains, busses and other forms of public transportation, which will impact CTC drivers. It also allows individual businesses to make their own determination in regards to masks. New signage will also need to be posted on the building. Commissioner Batchler shared that she has disliked wearing the mask, but was happy to do so in order to protect her family, friends and co-workers.

Commissioner Painter added that there is a Declaration of Emergency in place and the Board does not intend to end that Emergency Declaration until the state has declared the emergency no longer exists. Mr. Eigel added the declaration activated the EOC and it authorized the County Administrator to execute contracts up to \$100,000.00 without going out for bid. Commissioner Painter stated that typically after an emergency declaration there is some funding that could be made available to allow for reimbursement of dollars that were spent to aid in the emergency. Commissioner Painter asked about clarification on mask enforcement in all county buildings stating that we can't ask individuals if they have been vaccinated and Mr. Eigel answered that he is correct, but he will consult legal for further clarification.

Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator, mentioned the critical event policy will need to be amended and there will be a recommendation in front of the board prior to June 02, 2021.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** Commissioner Corcoran shared that she had a request for a Proclamation for Apraxia Awareness Day in May which is a childhood disease that affects the speech in children. Approximately 1 in 1,000 children are affected and it causes significant difficulty learning to speak and is among the most severe speech deficits in children and we wish the organization well with teaching these children how to speak.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER PAINTER AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BATCHLER TO GO INTO RECESS AT 10:40 AM AND RETURN AT 11:00AM FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** THAT A PUBLIC HEARING WAS SCHEDULED AT 11:00 A.M. THIS DATE AND CALLED TO ORDER AT 11:00 A.M. IN THE OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, 101 EAST MAIN STREET, BATAVIA, OHIO 45103-2960, TO AFFORD PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE REQUEST TO VACATE A PORTION OF CLEPPER LANE (T-252) IN UNION TOWNSHIP PURSUANT TO AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 5553.045 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE AS REQUESTED BY THE UNION TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES. (21-0412-002)

\*\*\*THIS PUBLIC HEARING WAS VIDEO RECORDED AND IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M. IN ADDITION, THE PUBLIC HEARING IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC VIEWING THROUGH THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT WEBSITE AT: <http://www.clermontcountyohio.gov/videos.aspx>\*\*\*

**LET THE RECORD SHOW:** CRAIG RISNER, DEPUTY SURVEYOR, CLERMONT COUNTY ENGINEER'S OFFICE, PROVIDED AN OVERVIEW OF THE PROPERTY WHICH IS A DEDICATED RIGHT OF WAY AS IT APPEARS IN PLAT BOOK D, PAGE 226 OF THE CLERMONT COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE DATED APRIL, 1955. THE PROPOSED VACATION WILL REDUCE THE UNION TOWNSHIP ODOT ROAD MILEAGE CERTIFICATION BY 0.30 MILES AND WILL NOT CREATE ANY LANDLOCKED PARCELS. IF THE BOARD APPROVES THE REQUESTED VACATION, A MYLAR COPY OF THE VACATION PLAT WILL BE REQUIRED TO BE FILED IN THE TAX MAP OFFICE. THE TOTAL LENGTH OF THE PROPOSED VACATION IS 0.030 MILES.

ERNIE RAMOS, ASSISTANT PROSECUTOR, CLERMONT COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, WAS PRESENT TO SWEAR IN ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO WOULD LIKE TO TESTIFY IN REGARDS TO THE PROPOSED ROAD VACATION.

NO ONE APPEARED IN FAVOR TO THE PROPOSED ROAD VACATION AND ONE INDIVIDUAL APPEARED IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED ROAD VACATION.

CHRIS HICKS OF 444 WOODWARD COURT, CINCINNATI, OHIO 45255, PROVIDED TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO THE ROAD VACATION STATING HE OPPOSES ANY ACTION UNTIL MEETINGS ARE REOPENED TO THE PUBLIC AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IS FULLY RESTORED. MR. HICKS EXPLAINED THAT HE CAN ONLY STAND THERE NOW BECAUSE THE BOARD IS STATUTORILY REQUIRED TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK AT PUBLIC HEARINGS, BUT HAVE NOT ALLOWED PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN REGULAR MEETINGS FOR 14 MONTHS EVEN VIA ZOOM. MR. HICKS STATED HE IS AWARE THAT THE BOARD TOOK ACTION TO HAVE A RESOLUTION FOR A RESOLUTION TODAY, BUT AGAIN, ARE NOT OPEN YET. IT IS ABSURD TO HAVE A RESOLUTION ON A RESOLUTION AND THE BOARD JUST NEEDS TO OPEN. MR. HICKS SHARED THAT THE MASKING SIGNS IN THE BUILDING ARE ALREADY GONE AND HE ASKED THE BOARD TO STOP THE ABSURDITY AND THE SHOW. MR. HICKS STATED THAT HE APPRECIATED THE LADIES TAKING THEIR MASKS OFF FINALLY SINCE THEY ARE BOTH FULLY VACCINATED AND AS RON DESANTIS SAYS "IT UNDERMINES CREDIBILITY OF THE VACCINE WHEN VACCINATED PEOPLE STILL WEAR MASKS". LAST WEEK MS. CORCORAN SAID ON LOCAL 12 THAT ANYONE COULD SET UP MEETINGS WITH COMMISSIONERS AND IN THE ACTUAL MEETING MR. PAINTER SAID "WE HAVE NEVER RESTRICTED ANYONE FROM HAVING ACCESS TO A COMMISSIONER EITHER IN PERSON, IN THIS OFFICE, OR BY TELEPHONE OR BY TEXT MESSAGE OR BY EMAIL." MR. HICKS STATED THAT HE ASKED MR. PAINTER TO MEET WITH HIM AND A MEETING WAS SET UP FOR 10:00AM ON TUESDAY. A CALENDAR INVITE WAS RECEIVED AND MR. HICKS SHARED THE TOPICS HE WANTED TO DISCUSS: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, COVID-19 RESPONSE, BECKJORD AND THE ANIMAL SHELTER. MR. HICKS INDICATED THAT HE ASKED THREE ADDITIONAL THINGS, (1) TO LIVESTREAM OR VIDEO RECORD THE MEETING, (2) TO BRING A MEMBER OF THE PRESS SHOULD THEY WISH TO ATTEND, AND (3) TO MEET IN THE COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM OR THE CONFERENCE ROOM ACROSS THE HALL. MR. HICKS STATED THAT COMMISSIONER PAINTER CANCELED THE MEETING STATING "MY DECISION TO NOT MEET WITH YOU HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE TOPICS YOU PICKED. IT HAS EVERYTHING TO DO WITH YOU AND YOUR NEED TO CONTROL THE MEETING." "AS ALWAYS, YOUR NEGATIVE SPIN ON THE TOPICS AND RECORDING REQUESTS ARE NOT THE FACTUAL REASON THAT I DECLINED OUR MEETING." MR. HICKS EXPLAINED THAT HE STILL DOESN'T KNOW WHY COMMISSIONER PAINTER REVERSED GEAR ON HAVING A MEETING WITH HIM. MR. HICKS STATED IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO HAVE THIS FORUM WHERE PEOPLE CAN TALK IN PUBLIC ON CAMERA AND IS THE ONLY TIME A CITIZEN CAN ADDRESS ALL THREE COMMISSIONERS LEGALLY AT ONE TIME. MR. HICKS STATED THAT HE IS A REPUBLICAN, THE COMMISSIONERS ARE ALL REPUBLICANS, MR. PAINTER'S WIFE, COMMISSIONER BATCHLER AND HE ARE ALL ON THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE. THIS MORNING, A MEMBER SENT OUT A NOTE BECAUSE MR. HICKS PROPOSED THAT THERE BE A RESOLUTION AT THE MEETING TONIGHT THAT THE PARTY CAN ASK THE COMMISSIONERS TO REOPEN THE MEETINGS. MR. HICKS STATED HE HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE NOTE AND IT WAS A PLEASANT SURPRISE. HE READ ONE PARAGRAPH FROM THE NOTE WHICH WAS FROM A CITIZEN IN REGARDS TO THE CLERMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS LOCKING OUT CITIZENS FROM THEIR MEETINGS. MR. HICKS ASKED WHY THE BOARD NOW HAS A RESOLUTION OF A RESOLUTION AND NOT JUST OPEN MEETINGS IMMEDIATELY INSTEAD OF KEEPING ON WITH THE CHARADE. MR. HICKS COMMENTED ON THE FACT THAT THE STATE OF EMERGENCY WILL NOT BE LIFTED AND THAT IT ALLOWS THE BOARD TO DO CONTRACTS OF \$100,000.00 WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDS. MR. HICKS STATED THE STATE OF EMERGENCY SHOULD BE LIFTED AND THE COMMISSIONERS ARE SUPPOSED TO BE FISCAL CONSERVATIVE REPUBLICANS. MR. HICKS SAID THE COMMISSIONERS ARE EXCITED ABOUT THE \$40 MILLION IN BIDEN BUCKS PRINTED IN VENEZUELA, BUT IT IS ABSURD TO CONTINUE TO HAVE A POLICY IN CLERMONT COUNTY THAT LIMITS COMPETITIVE BIDDING. MR. HICKS THANKED THE BOARD FOR THE CHANCE TO SPEAK TODAY AND ASKED IF

ANYONE WANTED TO CROSS EXAMINE HIM WHILE UNDER OATH ON THE REASON HE OPPOSES THE ROAD VACATION. HE REQUESTED THAT ANY COMMENTS TO BE MADE ARE DONE WHILE HE IS IN THE ROOM AND NOT WHEN HE IS LOCKED OUT ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE HALL AND HAVE THE COURTESY TO SAY THINGS TO HIS FACE. MR. HICKS AGAIN THANKED THE BOARD AND ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTARIES ABOUT HIM WHILE HE IS STILL IN THE ROOM AND THERE WERE NONE. COMMISSIONER PAINTER THANKED MR. HICKS STATING HIS COMMENTS ARE ALWAYS INSIGHTFUL AND HELPFUL.

IT WAS NOTED THAT NO OTHER CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED WITH REGARD TO THE PROPOSED ROAD VACATION.

COMMISSIONER PAINTER WANTED TO ADDRESS ONE OF THE STATEMENTS MADE TODAY ABOUT THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION. COMMISSIONER PAINTER STATED THAT MR. HICKS IS AN EXPERT ON EVERY PARTICULAR ISSUE, BUT HE IS NOT MUCH OF AN EXPERT ON GOVERNMENT AGENCIES. MR. PAINTER EXPLAINED THAT IF THE BOARD ENDED THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION IT WOULD ALSO END THE ABILITY TO BE REIMBURSED FOR ANY COSTS THAT MAY HAVE INCURRED DUE TO THAT EMERGENCY DECLARATION WHICH IS WHY HE IS NOT IN FAVOR OF ENDING IT. MR. PAINTER SHARED THAT HE IS NOT AWARE OF ANY PROCUREMENTS MR. EIGEL HAD TO MAKE AS FAR AS THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION THAT WOULD HAVE REQUIRED A \$100,000.00 PURCHASE AT A COMPETITIVE BID. MR. EIGEL EXPLAINED THAT THERE IS A PARAGRAPH IN THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION THAT IS SPECIFIC TO THE POLICY CHANGE OF COMPETITIVE BIDDING UNDER \$100,000.00 AND SHOULD BE NO SURPRISE TO ANYONE. MR. EIGEL SHARED THAT HVAC WORK HAD TO BE DONE AS A RESULT OF THE PANDEMIC WHICH IS NOT EASY FOR UNDER \$50,000.00 REQUIRING HIM TO BE VERY NIMBLE TO ADDRESS THOSE ISSUES QUICKLY. HE FURTHER STATED IT'S ONLY UP TO \$100,000.00 AND THREE ESTIMATES HAVE TO BE OBTAINED. COMMISSIONER PAINTER ADDED THAT IT ALLOWED THE BOARD TO ACT VERY QUICKLY WHEN IT CAME TO ADDING SANITATION CAPABILITIES TO ALL OF THE HVAC THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC AND EMPLOYEES. COMMISSIONER PAINTER ALSO WANTED TO ADDRESS THE FACT THAT HE CANCELED THE MEETING WITH MR. HICKS STATING IT IS NO SECRET AMONGST CLERMONT COUNTY AND THE PEOPLE WHO FOLLOW MR. HICKS THAT HE WISHES TO GET LOTS OF VIDEO TAPE AND RECORDED CONVERSATIONS WITH PUBLIC OFFICIALS SO THAT WHEN HE CHOOSES TO RUN FOR OFFICE AGAINST YOU IT CAN BE USED TO HIS ADVANTAGE. MR. PAINTER STATED HE CAN ASSURE THAT HIS REASON TO CANCEL HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE SUBJECTS AND EVERYTHING TO DO WITH THE FACT THAT MR. HICKS REALLY WANTED VIDEO FOOTAGE AND RECORDED CONVERSATIONS. MR. PAINTER STATED HE WILL NOT MEET WITH MR. HICKS TODAY, TOMORROW OR EVER NO MATTER WHAT OFFICE HE HOLDS IN THIS STATE.

COMMISSIONER CORCORAN CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 11:12 AM. AND RESUMED REGULAR SESSION.

**IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...ADDITION OF (1) ONE AGENDA ITEM TO THE REGULAR SESSION OF 05/19/2021...21-0104-004...APPROVED**

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Batchler, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Holly Cruey, Clerk of the Board, asked the Board to consider adding (1) one additional item to the agenda of the Regular Session of 05/19/2021 to include a Resolution to vacate a portion of Clepper Lane (T-252) in Union Township. Commissioner Corcoran asked for a motion to approve the additions to the agenda for today's Regular Session.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

**IN RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS...RESOLUTION NUMBER 071-21/RESOLUTION DETERMINING TO VACATE A PORTION OF CLEPPER LANE (T-252) SITUATED IN UNION TOWNSHIP...21-0412-002...ADOPTED**

Moved by Commissioner Batchler, seconded by Commissioner Painter, that the Board of County Commissioners approve the following recommendation:

Recommendation to adopt **Resolution Number 071-21** determining to vacate a portion of Clepper Lane (T-252) situated in Union Township, Clermont County, Ohio, as described therein, pursuant to and in compliance with Section 5553.045 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

**IN RE: ADJOURNMENT...APPROVED**

Moved by Commissioner Painter, seconded by Commissioner Batchler,

That the Board of County Commissioners, noting no further business to come before the commission for legislative action, adjourned this Regular Session at 11:16 A.M. until the next regularly scheduled session to be held at a later date.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Painter, Yes; Commissioner Batchler, Yes; Commissioner Corcoran, Yes.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO**

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**CLAIRE B. CORCORAN, PRESIDENT**

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**DAVID L. PAINTER, VICE PRESIDENT**

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**BONNIE J. BATCHLER, MEMBER**

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**HOLLY CRUEY, CLERK OF THE BOARD**

05/24/2021  
**DATE APPROVED**